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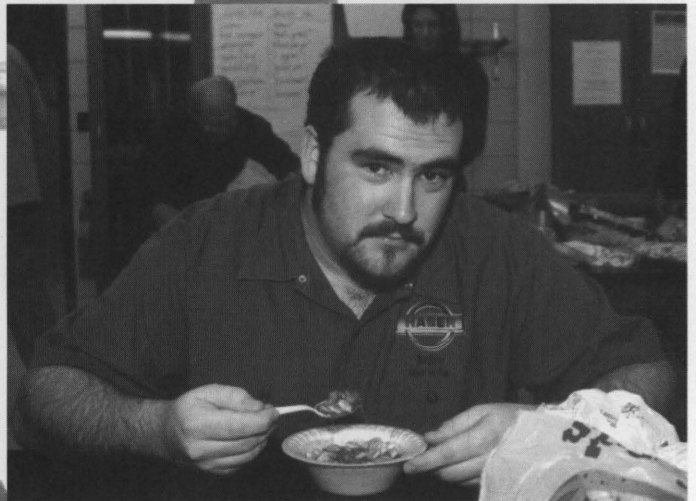
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Every year a few of the Forestry professors cook chili in the fall just before the students head home for the holidays. As students we are not sure why they do this, but we have ideas. One is to thank the students for having a great year, and doing what they do best...Learn. Another Idea is the professors want to hear the horror, I mean, ah ah ah, the wonderful stories that we had on our many trips (fall camp, SAF National Convention, or Thanksgiving break at grandmas) and classes. I think they want to send us home with wonderful thoughts of what great cooks they are, to tell our parents what exciting professors that we have, and enough gas that would have earned you 4 set of Texaco Ricky Rudd coffee mugs.

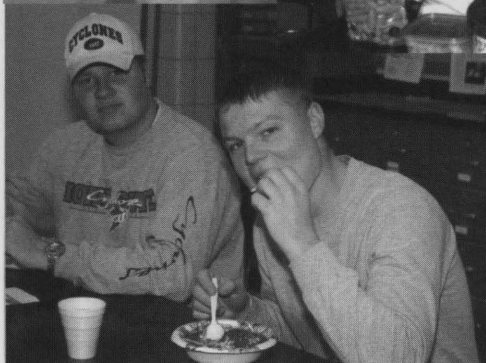
With that in mind, the professors and students dived into the chili, which ranged from Veggie, Plain Jane Strait Up chili, Spicy, and The "Colletti" Hot and Spicy chili (you add the sauce, and what a sauce it was). Me being of the nature to try all, I rather enjoyed myself on this glorious day in December. So let's get to the chili!



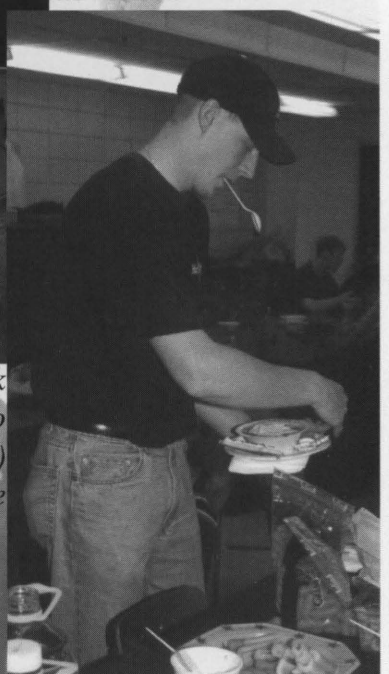
*Ben Thomas shows how to eat chili during the fall chili feed*

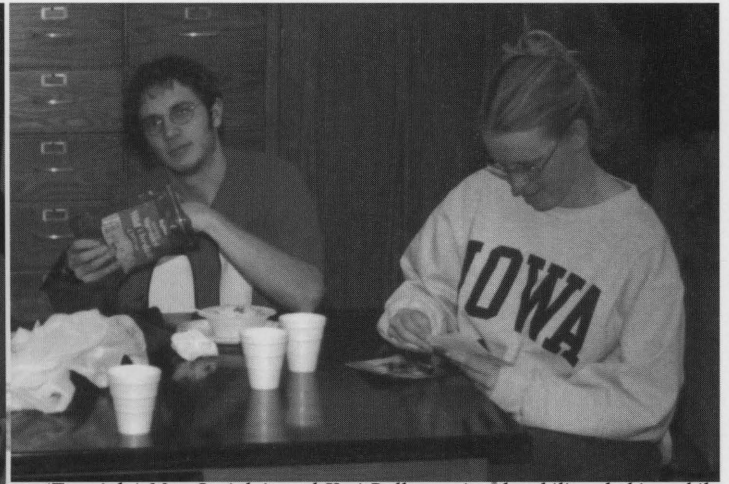
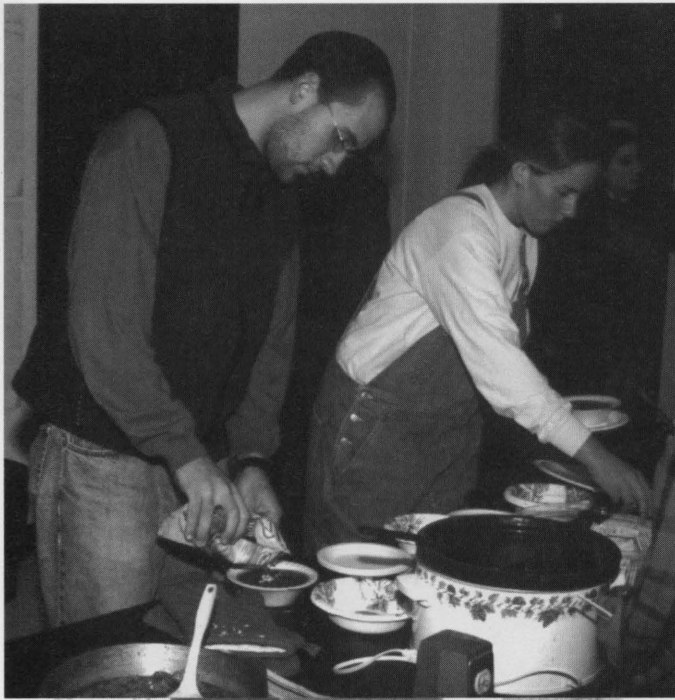


*"Did someone say chili?" asked Scott "Gillian" Koebel when he entered the room with a spoon in his mouth.*



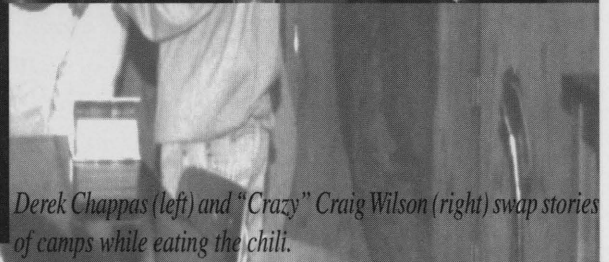
*(Left) T.J. Mathis (left) and Nick Rosenboom eat the chili like it ain't no thing, while (Center) Joe Colletti (right) says to Karen Duey "pass the cheese please."*





(Top right) Matt Latiolais and Keri Bolluyt enjoy the chili and chips while thumbing through the SAF National Convention Pictures. (Top left) Nate Gassmann and Megan Sweeney help themselves to the ample supply of chili.

"What? Your kidding?" says Adam Luhman (Center Left, middle) while Carl Mize (left) and Stacy Wickman (right) listen in on the conversation at hand. "This is good chili", says Nate Gassmann (Center right, left) to Patricia Negreros-Castillo (right) who enjoys her chili.



Derek Chappas (left) and "Crazy" Craig Wilson (right) swap stories of camps while eating the chili.

